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April 4, 2019

Honorable Christopher Murphy 136 Hart Senate Office Building, District of Columbia 20510

## RE: S. 42 (Murphy) Background Check Expansion Act - Support

Dear Senator Murphy,

On behalf of the Santa Barbara Women's Political Committee (SBWPC), I am writing to express support for S. 42 requiring a background check for every firearm sale.

SBWPC's mission is dedicated to furthering gender equality and other feminist values through political and social action and educational activities. Our organization is one of the largest women's political committees in Santa Barbara County with well over 300 members. We advocate for a diverse set of positions <a href="https://sbwpc.org/positions/">https://sbwpc.org/positions/</a>, and we are a partner of the Santa Barbara Coalition Against Gun Violence.

The Santa Barbara Women's Political Committee Supports S.42 because the bill prohibits a firearm transfer between private parties unless a licensed gun dealer, manufacture, or importer first takes possession of the firearm to conduct a background check. SBWPC believes S. 42 is an important step forward in improving regulation of the transfer of firearms and thereby increasing the safety of the general public. **Therefore, SBWPC wishes to sign on as a supporter of S. 42.** 

Thank you for reviewing our organization's position on this issue. Should you wish to communicate further with us, please email us at <a href="mailto:info@sbwpc.org">info@sbwpc.org</a> or visit our website: <a href="mailto:www.sbwpc.org">www.sbwpc.org</a>

Sincerely,

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